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Wabash to host First Friday on June 5

Wabash Marketplace will be hosting a hybrid First Friday on June 5. The event will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. on Facebook and from 5 to 8 p.m. in downtown Wabash. Miami Street will be open to traffic and parking. Face coverings and social distancing are recommended for in-person guests. The community is encouraged to visit the Facebook Event Page titled, "First Friday in Wabash 6/5/20" by visiting <https://www.facebook.com/events/246572819761023/>. The event will also be linked from the Facebook Page "First Friday-Wabash, Indiana." Participating businesses will share their promotions and store hours. For more information, visit www.wabashmarketplace.org or call 260-563-0975.

Red Cross schedules blood donation opportunity for June 6

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 6 at Scotty's Bar, 780 Manchester Ave.

Clark Gallery to feature 2020 themed art exhibit

The Clark Gallery in the Honeywell Center will host its 2020 Themed Art Competition titled "Dreams" from Monday, June 15 to Sunday, Aug. 16. To register, visit HoneywellCenter.org/dreams. Judging will take place on Wednesday,

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National Guard continues to assist Second Harvest

Presence allows local tailgate food distribution events to be held weekly

By **ROB BURGESS**
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The members of the Indiana National Guard's Muncie Armory who have been in attendance at recent Second Harvest tailgate food distribution events at the Winchester Senior Center will continue in their missions despite recent emergency deployments.

On Sunday, Gov. Eric Holcomb directed members of the Indiana National Guard to be on standby to assist communities across the state, if requested.

"Holcomb verbally activated the Indiana National Guard Reactionary Force company to be available to assist local communities Saturday, however, no deployment was requested. Several hundred guard members remain on standby," stated Rachel Hoffmeyer, press secretary. "Holcomb ordered members of the guard, supported by Indiana State Police, to establish a presence at state properties in Indianapolis to protect them from further damage."

In response to a Plain Dealer question during a televised press conference Monday, Brigadier General R. Dale Lyles, adjutant general of Indiana National Guard, said they would continue to support Second Harvest despite the weekend's activations.

"When we started this over two and a half, three months ago, the governor told me and he told everyone on the task force, 'Whatever it takes. Whatever you need, you've got it.' And every day that we've been fighting this battle, we've had that pleasure and that resource. And in light of the fact that we have the fifth largest National Guard state in the United States, we have over 12,500 airman and soldiers, we are fully capable of conducting the COVID-19 risk mitigation strategy as well as protecting the lives, the safety and the property of all Hoosiers in this time of turmoil," he said.

In response to a recent Plain Dealer request, Tim Kean, president and CEO of Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana, stated 30 members of the National Guard have been on-site at their facility since April 7.

Beverly Ferry, CEO of Living Well in Wabash County,



Photos by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

TOP: Thirty members of the National Guard have been on-site at Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana since April 7.

ABOVE: Because of this increased support, Second Harvest Food Bank will conduct a tailgate food distribution event each Wednesday in June at Living Well in Wabash County, 239 Bond St.

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bash County, 239 Bond St.

"Normally it's once a month," she said. "And we don't have enough volunteers to do twice per month. Once we knew they were going to

send the National Guard we are able to do it weekly."

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First combined ordination since 1984 planned

Ceremony to take place Saturday at St. Vincent de Paul, Fort Wayne

STAFF REPORT

"With praise and thanksgiving," Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades will ordain Deacon Stephen Felicichia to the priesthood and Michael Ammer, Paolo Degasper, Benjamin Landrigan, Keeton Lockwood, Augustine Onuoha and Logan Parrish to the diaconate through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit, according to Jennifer Simerman, secretary for communications.

This year will mark the first Ordination Mass since 1984 which will combine the ordinations to the priesthood and diaconate. The 2020 diaconate ordination was previously postponed because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"The first of its kind, this ordination Mass will require that congregants wear face masks, practice social distancing and follow the COVID-19 directives set by the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend," stated Simerman.

The ordination Mass is a ticketed private event 11 a.m. Saturday, June 6, at

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Holcomb signs executive orders regarding COVID-19

Public health emergency, foster care, alcohol permit extension included

STAFF REPORT

On Wednesday, Gov. Eric J. Holcomb signed Executive Order 20-30 to extend the public health emergency for an additional 30 days to Saturday, July 4, according to Rachel Hoffmeyer, press secretary.

The governor also signed Executive Order 20-31 which allows older youth to remain in foster care beyond the age of 18 for the duration of the public health emergency. This will allow them

to continue to receive education, workforce training and health benefits.

Executive Order 20-31 also extends the time to renew professional licenses, certificates or permits to Tuesday, June 30.

Due to the current restrictions on in-person dining in restaurants, the executive order reduces the amount of food sales a restaurant must report to maintain its alcoholic beverage permit.

Additionally, deadlines for the calculation of local taxes were also extended by the executive order.

For more information, visit <https://www.in.gov/gov/2384.htm>.

MHS plans first-ever senior parade

Graduates will be honored starting at 7 p.m. Friday, June 12

By **ROB BURGESS**
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

For the first time, Manchester High School (MHS) will honor graduating seniors with a senior parade through downtown North Manchester starting at 7 p.m. Friday, June 12.

At Wednesday's Manchester Town Council meeting, Adam Penrod, town manager, announced the plans for the parade after consultation with the town and Manchester Community Schools officials.

"This is something new," he said.

Penrod said Jim Kirk, North Manchester police chief, had reviewed the plans had signed off on the proposed route.

"They are not seeking barricades at this time because all the seniors are to be in vehicles," said Penrod. "They are supposed to decorate their vehicles."

Penrod said graduating seniors will be meeting at the high school at 6:30 p.m. and the town police will escort them from there.

According to James Bishir, MHS principal, the parade will head south on

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Drive-In to celebrate National Drive In Movie Day with 'Grease'

The screening will begin at approximately 9:35 p.m. Saturday

STAFF REPORT

The 1978 musical romance "Grease" starring Olivia Newton-John and John Travolta will be included in 13-24 Drive-In theater's Retro Reels lineup to celebrate the 87-year-old history of National Drive-In Movie Day, according to Morgan Ellis, public relations and marketing coordinator.

The gates will open at 7:30 p.m. and the film screening will begin at approximately 9:35 p.m. Saturday, June 6 at 890 N. Indiana 13.

"Grease" is rated PG.

"Grease" is a drive-in movie theater classic people of all ages recognize and love. Its drive-in scene was filmed at the Pickwick Drive-In in Burbank, California. This was where Danny sang 'Sandy' while cartoon hot dogs danced across the drive-in screen behind him," stated Ellis.

Tickets are \$6 per carload.

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Indianapolis to dismantle Confederate monument in park

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Indianapolis will remove from a park a monument dedicated to Confederate soldiers who died at a Union prison camp in the city, the mayor announced Thursday.

The grave monument, which was relocated to Garfield Park nearly a century ago from its original location in a cemetery, will be dismantled by contractors in the coming days, Mayor Joe Hogsett said.

“Our streets are filled with voices of anger and anguish, testament to centuries of racism directed at Black Americans,” Hogsett said in a news release. “We must name these instances of discrimination and never forget our past – but we should not honor them.”

“Whatever original purpose this grave marker might once have had, for far too

long it has served as nothing more than a painful reminder of our state’s horrific embrace of the Ku Klux Klan a century ago,” he said.

The monument was commissioned in 1912 in Greenlawn Cemetery to commemorate Confederate prisoners of war who died while imprisoned at Camp Morton in Indianapolis. It was moved to Garfield Park in 1928 following efforts by public officials active in the Klan who sought to “make the monument more visible to the public,” the news released said.

The Indianapolis Parks Board passed a resolution in 2017 to remove the monument once funding was secured, but that never happened. The city is identifying a source of funding, with the expected cost of the project ranging from approximately

\$50,000 to \$100,000, Hogsett said.

The parks resolution came after an Indianapolis man was arrested for vandalizing the memorial following a white nationalist rally in Charlottesville, Virginia, fueled by that city’s proposal to remove Confederate statues there. A woman died during the rally.

Hogsett announced the move on the same day that Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam said a statue of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee will be removed as soon as possible from Richmond’s Monument Avenue. That came after days of angry protests in Indianapolis, Richmond and across the country over the death of George Floyd, a black man who died after a white police officer pressed a knee into his neck while he pleaded for air.

Black activists, allies call Lee statue removal a big win

By SARAH RANKIN and ALAN SUDERMAN
Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — Wes Bellamy, a former Charlottesville city councilman, said that when he first started raising the issue of removing Confederate monuments, black and white people alike across Virginia told him he was just causing trouble.

Several years – and death threats – later, Bellamy said Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam’s announcement Thursday that one of the nation’s most iconic tributes to the Confederacy would be taken down feels like divine intervention.

“We’ve slayed Goliath,” Bellamy said.

After days of global unrest over the death of George Floyd, a black man who died after a white police officer pressed a knee into his neck while he pleaded for air, Northam announced the statue of Gen. Robert E. Lee near downtown Richmond will be removed from its 40-foot-tall granite pedestal as soon as possible. The governor said it will go into storage while his administration seeks public input about its future.

Northam’s decision to remove the bronze equestrian statue, which sits on state property in the middle of Richmond’s renowned Monument Avenue, has been widely praised by black leaders and activists, and their allies, as a key marker – but not the finish line – on the path to equality.

For years, their calls to remove that monument and others in this former capital of the Confederacy have been resisted, and efforts to even tell a more complete picture of Richmond’s history – including the addition of a statue of black tennis hero Arthur Ashe on Monument Avenue in the 1990s – have been met with pushback.

“I always hoped this day would come but never fully believed it would,” said state Sen. Jennifer McClellan, who lives near the statue and drives by it everyday. She said when the statue is finally gone it will feel “like an incredible burden

has been lifted off my shoulders and finally I can breathe and heal.”

Northam’s announcement came a day after Richmond Mayor Levar Stoney announced he will seek to remove the four other Confederate statues along Monument Avenue, which make up one of the most prominent collections of tributes to the Confederacy in the nation.

Together, the decisions mark a striking departure from recent years, when even after a violent rally of white supremacists descended on Charlottesville in 2017 and other Confederate monuments started falling across the country, Virginia did not make the same changes.

In part, local governments were hamstrung by a state law that protects memorials to war veterans. That law was amended earlier this year by the new Democratic majority at the statehouse and signed by Northam. When the changes go into effect July 1, localities will be able to decide the monuments’ fate.

As for the Lee statue, Northam and his predecessor, fellow Democrat Terry McAuliffe, had not previously pressed the issue.

Corey Stuckey, a 17-year-old activist who has helped lead protests at the Lee statue and was there earlier this week when peaceful protesters were tear gassed, said Thursday’s news meant protests are working.

“It shows that change is actually coming,” Stuckey said on the foot of the Lee statue’s pedestal, where he helped lead a rally Thursday. “They went from tear gassing us to stopping, and now they’re actually doing what we’re asking.”

Northam said he recognized the nation’s “tremendous pain” that has been brought into focus by Floyd’s killing.

“In order to heal that divisiveness, the statues need to come down,” said Northam, who pledged that Virginia will no longer “preach a false version of history.”

The governor said the statue will be removed in the coming weeks and discussions will follow about what should

be done with the massive pedestal. He raised the possibility that another statue could be put on top.

Ana Edwards, a member of the Virginia Defenders for Freedom, Justice & Equality who for over a decade has been leading an effort to memorialize historic Shockoe Bottom, the center of Richmond’s slave trade, through the establishment of a memorial park and educational campus, said in a statement Wednesday that history was being made.

“Today, our city’s leadership, long afraid of taking this step, has at long last discovered the courage of the people and made the decision to remove from our civic landscape these monuments to white supremacy,” said Edwards, herself a descendant of enslaved people who were sold out of Richmond.

B. Frank Earnest, a spokesman for the Virginia Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, also acknowledged – and lamented – that times have changed.

“America as we knew it is pretty much gone,” Earnest said Wednesday after he learned of the governor’s plans. He said he wasn’t sure of the group’s next steps but said they would work to preserve the monuments, even if they are removed.

Those celebrating Lee’s removal were planning next steps and emphasizing that removing Confederate monuments is a key symbolic victory, not the end goal.

Zyahna Bryant, a student activist and community organizer who wrote a 2016 petition calling on the Charlottesville City Council to remove a statue of Lee from a downtown park, was among those who joined Northam on Thursday. She thanked the activists whose decades of works she said had led to “where we are today” but said there was far more work to be done.

“I want to be clear that there will be no healing or reconciliation until we have equity, until we have fully dismantled the systems that oppress black and brown people,” Bryant said.

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North Market Street, then turn east on East Second Street, then turn north on North Mill Street, then turn west on East College

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St. Vincent de Paul Church, 1502 E. Wallen Road, Fort Wayne.

The event will be live-streamed for the general public on the diocesan website at diocesefwsb.org, and on YouTube and Facebook, search @diocesefwsb. Redeemer Radio will also broadcast live on 106.3 FM (Fort Wayne) and 95.7 FM (Michiana).

DRIVE-IN

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“To maintain a limited-contact ticketing method, movie-goers are asked to purchase their tickets online as a necessary safety measure. To maintain social distancing efforts within 50 percent capacity, movie-goers will park one vehicle between every pair of poles,” stated Ellis. “Limited contact concessions ordering and pickup will be offered online in

the proposed route,” stated Bishir.






For more information, email james_bishir@mcs.k12.in.us.

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various packages including admission, popcorn, and beverages. The concessions stand will remain open with a limited menu and social distancing measures in place.”





For more information about social distancing measures, concessions stand offerings, and parking, visit 1324DriveIn.com/faq. For more information about Marquee Members, visit 1324DriveIn.com/marquee-members. For tickets, visit 1324DriveIn.com/grease.

5-Day Weather Summary

 Friday Isolated T-storms 87 / 66	 Saturday Sunny 80 / 58	 Sunday Mostly Sunny 77 / 62	 Monday Sunny 82 / 69	 Tuesday Chance T-storms 88 / 71
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Sun and Moon

Today's sunset 9:16 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 6:17 a.m.

 Full 6/5	 Last 6/13	 New 6/21	 First 6/28
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Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 87°, humidity of 54%. Southwest wind 3 to 8 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with a 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 66°. Northwest wind 2 to 7 mph.

Retinal artery occlusion related to atherosclerosis

DEAR DOCTOR: A friend of our family suddenly lost the vision in his left eye because of something called retinal artery occlusion. What is that? How do you protect against it?

D E A R READER: To answer your question, we should begin with a bit of anatomy. The retina is a layer of light-sensitive tissue that lines the back of the eye. Its job is to receive the incoming rays of light that pass through the lens and translate them into signals. These signals, or impulses, then travel along the optic nerve to the brain, which interprets them as the images we see. As with all tissues within the body, the retina needs a steady supply of blood to function properly. In the case of the retina, this comes primarily from an artery and a vein. If either of these vessels, or any of their smaller branches, become blocked, which is known as an occlusion, the retina sustains damage.



When a blockage occurs in the vein that serves the retina, the blood can’t drain away. Instead, it backs up and raises pressure within the eye, which can cause serious damage that affects sight. When the blockage occurs in the artery, as with your family friend, the retina is starved of oxygen and nutrients. Unless blood flow is restored quickly, the blockage will cause the cells of the retina to die. The result is a loss of vision. Unfortunately, there is no way to reverse the damage that arises as a result of retinal vessel occlusion.

One of the main causes of the condition is atherosclerosis, a disease in which fatty deposits known as plaques build up on the interior of the artery walls. These plaques can rupture and send debris into the bloodstream, which can potentially cause a full or partial blockage in another vessel. It makes sense, then, that the risk factors for atherosclerosis and for retinal vessel occlusion overlap. These include obesity, smoking, high cholesterol, high blood pressure and diabetes. Age is also a risk factor, with the majority of retinal vessel occlusions occurring in people who are 65 years of age and older. People living with a blood clotting disorder and those with glaucoma, which is chronically high pressure within the eye, are also at increased risk.

The same lifestyle changes that reduce the risk of atherosclerosis will also reduce the risk of retinal vessel occlusion, as well as diabetes, cardiovascular disease and stroke. A very important step is for smokers to quit. We know how difficult this is, so please ask your health care provider for help with crafting and sticking to a plan. Limit alcohol consumption and get regular exercise. Eat a diet that is high in fresh vegetables, leafy greens, fruits and lean meats and low

in added salt, sugar and unhealthy fats. You don’t have to go for a halo here. We suggest our patients aim for 80 percent healthful eating. For those with health issues such as diabetes or hypertension, we tighten it up to 90 percent healthful eating.

Retinal vessel occlusion is a medical emergency. If you ever suddenly lose sight in one or both eyes, seek help immediately.

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Study on safety of malaria drugs for coronavirus retracted

By **MARILYNN MARCHIONE**
AP Chief Medical Writer

Several authors of a large study that raised safety concerns about malaria drugs for coronavirus patients have retracted the report, saying independent reviewers were not able to verify information that’s been widely questioned by other scientists.

Thursday’s retraction in the journal *Lancet* involved a May 22 report on hydroxychloroquine and chloroquine, drugs long used for preventing or treating malaria but whose safety and effectiveness for COVID-19 are unknown.

The study leaders also retracted an earlier report using the same company’s database on blood pressure drugs published by the *New England Journal of Medicine*. That study suggested that widely used blood pressure medicines were safe for corona-

virus patients, a conclusion some other studies and heart doctor groups also have reached.

Even though the *Lancet* report was not a rigorous test, the observational study had huge impact because of its size, reportedly involving more than 96,000 patients and 671 hospitals on six continents.

Its conclusion that the drugs were tied to a higher risk of death and heart problems in people hospitalized with COVID-19 led the World Health Organization to temporarily stop use of hydroxychloroquine in a study it is leading, and for French officials to stop allowing its use in hospitals there. Earlier this week, WHO said experts who reviewed safety information decided that its study could resume.

“Not only is there no benefit, but we saw a very consistent signal of harm,” study

leader Dr. Mandeep Mehra of Brigham and Women’s Hospital in Boston told *The Associated Press* when the work was published.

The drugs have been controversial because President Donald Trump repeatedly promoted their use and took hydroxychloroquine himself to try to prevent infection after some White House staffers tested positive for the virus. The drugs are known to have potential side effects, especially heart rhythm problems.

The *Lancet* study relied on a database from a Chicago company, Surgisphere. Its founder, Dr. Sapan Desai, is one of the authors.

Dozens of scientists questioned irregularities and improbable findings in the numbers, and the other authors besides Desai said earlier this week that an independent audit would be done. In the retraction notice, those au-

thors say Surgisphere would not give the reviewers the full data, citing confidentiality and client agreements.

“Based on this development, we can no longer vouch for the veracity of the primary data sources” and must retract the report, they wrote.

“I no longer have confidence in the origination and veracity of the data, nor the findings they have led to,” Mehra said in a separate statement Thursday.

The *Lancet*’s notice said “there are many outstanding questions about Surgisphere and the data that were allegedly included in this study,” and “institutional reviews of Surgisphere’s research collaborations are urgently needed.”

Desai and Surgisphere did not immediately respond to request for comments sent to phone numbers and email address listed on the company’s materials.

Dennis Dean ‘Denny’ Correll

Aug. 14, 1952 – June 3, 2020

Dennis Dean “Denny” Correll, 67, of rural Wabash, Indiana, died at 8:24 am, Wednesday, June 3, 2020 at his home. He was born August 14, 1952 in Ellington, Missouri to Max Correll and Elsie (Fox) Knight.

Denny married Anna Conley in Wabash on September 7, 1973. He worked at Celotex in Lagro, retiring after 33 years, and also worked at Big R and Walmart in Wabash. He was a member and trustee of the Emmanuel Free Will Baptist Church in Wabash. Denny enjoyed yard work, cutting wood, fishing, and playing the guitar. He loved God, his family, and his church.

He is survived by his wife, Anna Correll of Wabash, two children, Jeffery (Regina) Correll of Fairmount, Indiana, and Carrissa (Jason) Bruce of Huntington, Indiana, eight grandchildren, Justin Correll of Peru, Indiana, Kody Brock and



Austyn Brock, both of Fairmount, Madison Lester of Dam Neck, Virginia, Morigan Wolf of Canada, Sydney Lester and Ethan Bruce, both of Huntington, mother, Elsie Knight of Wabash, sisters and brothers, Patty (George) Burton of Mexico, Indiana, Kathy (Paul) King of Wabash, Judy (Rick) Grumpp of Roann, Indiana, Rodney (Ava) Correll of Mexico, Indiana, and Steve Correll of Wanatah, Indiana. He was preceded in death by his father, Max Correll, and his grandson, Tanner Correll.

A memorial service will be held at a later date at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash, with Terry Hinds officiating.

Preferred memorials are Emmanuel Free Will Baptist Church Youth Camp or Christian School.

The memorial guest book for Dennis Dean “Denny” may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Heat-trapping CO2 in air hits new record high

By **SETH BORENSTEIN**
AP Science Writer

KENSINGTON, Maryland — The world hit another new record high for heat-trapping carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, despite reduced emissions because of the coronavirus pandemic, scientists announced Thursday.

Measurements of carbon dioxide, the chief human-caused greenhouse gas, averaged 417.1 parts per million at Mauna Loa, Hawaii, for the month of

May, when carbon levels in the air peak, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said. That’s 2.4 parts per million higher than a year ago.

Even though emissions of carbon dioxide from the burning of fossil fuels dropped by as much 17 percent in April, it was a brief decline. Carbon dioxide can stay in the air for centuries, so the short-term reductions of new carbon pollution for a few months didn’t have much of a big picture effect, said NOAA

senior scientist Pieter Tans.

“It illustrates how difficult it is – what a huge job it is – to bring emissions down,” Tans said. “We are really committing the Earth to an enormous amount of warming for a very large time.”

Records with direct measurements go back to 1958. And carbon dioxide levels are now nearly 100 parts per million higher than then. That’s a 31 percent increase in 62 years.

“The rise in atmospheric carbon dioxide levels is

relentless, and this means the costs of climate change to humans and the planet continue to rise relentlessly as well,” said University of Michigan environment dean Jonathan Overpeck.

Carbon levels in the air were higher in the distant past before humans, Tans said.

Carbon dioxide levels peak in May because starting in late May, because growing plants suck up more of heat-trapping gas, causing carbon amounts in the air to drop, Tans said.

John R. Graham, 90, North Manchester passed away on June 3, 2020 at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

John is survived by sons, Reverend Harold (Becky) Graham and Joe (Annette) Graham; daughters, Barbara (Frank) Schaetzle, Linda (Charles) David, and Tina (John) Duckett; brothers, James (Velma) Graham, Bob

(Kathy) Graham, and Paul (Peggy) Graham; sisters, Susan (Arlis) Sheffield, Ruth Anderson, and Esther Givens; eleven grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held for John R. Graham at Oaklawn Cemetery, 600 Beckley Street, North Manchester at a later date.

PENDING SERVICES

Mervel Donald Flanagan: 91, of Wabash, died at 9:17 am, Thursday, June 4, 2020 at Parkview Wabash Hospital. He

is survived by his Norma. Services are pending at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash.

Farm-to-table dining takes on new meaning amid pandemic

By **LISA RATHKE and PATRICK WHITTLE**
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Maine — Eric Pray is used to shipping seafood all over the country. But since the coronavirus took hold, he has shifted his focus closer to home – selling lobsters from a home-made tank in his garage.

Pray, of Portland, Maine, is one of hundreds of fishermen, farmers and food producers who have shifted to a direct-to-consumer model amid the virus outbreak. The pandemic has stressed and sometimes disrupted supply chains, shuttered restaurants and changed the way consumers buy food, leaving some producers scrambling for a new way to reach their customers.

The farm-to-table movement in the United States has grown in recent years, as consumers have increasingly demanded locally sourced food. But in the past several weeks, the movement has grown out of necessity because some producers can’t rely on the complex web of processors, distributors and middlemen to get food to customers.

For some, the challenges have turned into opportunities – and new customers.

“When restaurants reopen, we’ll probably keep doing home delivery, because we’ve got a good base of customers,” Pray said.

But it’s not good news for many of America’s food producers. In late April and early May, U.S. beef and pork processing capacity was

down 40 percent from last year, according to Jayson Lusk, head of the department of agricultural economics at Purdue University. Plants are now mainly back online but at reduced capacity with beef and pork plants running about 10 percent to 15 percent below last year, he said.

Some sectors have also suffered reductions in value, in part because the restaurants they normally rely on are closed. Live, 1.25-pound lobsters were worth \$6.74 per pound in the Northeast in April, which was 13 percent less than a year ago and 37 percent less than two years ago.

“The two biggest problems are facilitating distribution throughout the supply chain while protecting worker health, and revamping food demand in a way that avoids further disruptions,” said LaPorchia Collins, a professor in the Department of Economics at Tulane University.

Before the pandemic hit, Gunthorp Farms in LaGrange, Indiana, had been selling most of its pasture-raised pork and poultry to upscale restaurants, including ones started by famed chef Rick Bayless, as well as to charcuterie shops. Then, practically overnight, restaurants and shops shut down, drying up the farm’s business.

The farm has been able to switch to retail packaging and selling the pork and poultry elsewhere but it’s been far from easy, coming after endless hours of work by the family and employ-

ees, said Greg Gunthorp. That involved changing the labeling, adding bar codes, and cutting and packaging portions rather than selling in bulk.

“It’s been way, way too much work, way more changes. We made more changes in the first two weeks than we had planned to make in two years,” he said.

Templeton Farm, a small grass-fed beef farm in East Montpelier, Vermont, lost its biggest business – two restaurant accounts – when they had to shut down. But around the same time, the phone started ringing with people seeking locally raised beef, said farmer Bruce Chapell.

“Since then, our beef sales have been off the charts,” he said.

PrairieEarth Farm in Atlanta, Illinois, this season doubled its consumer supported agriculture, where customers pay up front for produce throughout the season to 322 members, said Katie Bishop, one of the farmers. And it has about 75 on its waiting list, she said.

However, it’s unclear whether this new model will be sustainable once the coronavirus crisis passes.

Food products that are heavily dependent on restaurants, such as seafood, eventually need those customers back, said John Sackton, an industry analyst and publisher of *SeafoodNews.com*. But for now, selling direct to customers is a way to get a better price for those products than they would typically see, he said.

Epidemic of wipes and masks plagues sewers, storm drains

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PHILADELPHIA — Mayor Jim Kenney kicked off a recent briefing on Philadelphia’s coronavirus response with an unusual request for residents: Be careful what you flush.

Between mid-March, when the city’s stay-at-home order was issued, and the end of April, most of the 19 sewer and storm water pumping stations in Philadelphia had experienced clogs from face masks, gloves and wipes residents had pitched into the potty, Kenney said.

“Please do not flush any of these items down the toilet,” the mayor said.

Officials in other U.S. cities and rural communities – and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – have issued similar pleas as wastewater plant operators report a surge of stopped-up pipes and damage to equipment.

The problem has sharpened the longstanding clash over whether wipes are suitable for flushing.

While drain clogs aren’t new, most of the more than 15 cities contacted by *The Associated Press* said they’ve become a more costly and time consuming headache during the pandemic. Homebound Americans are seeking alternatives to bathroom tissue because of occasional shortages, while stepping up efforts to sanitize their dwellings and themselves.

“When everyone rushed out to get toilet paper and there was none ... people

were using whatever they could,” said Pamela Mooring, spokeswoman for DC Water, the system in the nation’s capital.

Sanitary sewer overflows jumped 33 percent between February and March in Houston because of clogs from rags, tissues, paper towels and wipes, said public works department spokeswoman Erin Jones.

In Murfreesboro, Tennessee, crews are cleaning sewage pumping stations a couple of times a week that previously needed it once a month, said John Strickland, manager of the treatment facility.

At Beale Air Force Base in Northern California, a squadron that usually deals with airfield maintenance and weaponry disposal has been yanking wipes from the base’s plumbing.

“Our airmen are working 16-plus hours to unclog the pipe systems and that takes them out of the mission and puts a strain on the rest of the team,” Master Sgt. Destrey Robbins said in an article on the Beale website.

By flushing the wrong things, people are taxing infrastructure that’s already deteriorating, said Darren Olson, vice chairman of the American Society of Civil Engineers’ Committee for America’s Infrastructure. “Your latex glove may not be the thing that causes a clog, but you are adding to the burden.”

Hundreds of areas, like a portion of Philadelphia, have combined sewage and storm-water systems so sanitation

officials say that means discarded masks and gloves that litter sidewalks and parking lots can also reach and help gum up treatment plants.

Olson said masks and gloves thrown in the street can travel through storm drains in separate systems to lakes and other waterways.

George Leonard, Ocean Conservancy’s chief scientist, said he’s concerned discarded personal protective equipment could wash out to sea and eventually add to “the plastics burden that the ocean is already suffering from.”

Costs of clearing, cleaning and restarting equipment are mounting for utilities.

To reduce the likelihood of clogs, WSSC Water – a wastewater utility that serves nearly 1.8 million customers in Prince George’s and Montgomery counties in Maryland – installed about 27 debris grinding pumps over the last decade at a cost of \$1.5 million.

“At one wastewater pumping station alone, one that does not have grinder pumps, we have seen an increase of 37,000 pounds of wipes during January–March 2020 compared with the same time period in 2019,” said utility spokeswoman Lyn Riggins.

Michigan’s Macomb County spent \$50,000 in 2018 removing a “fatberg” of debris, oils and grease that was 100 feet long and 11 feet wide, said Candice Miller, public works commissioner. The suburban Detroit community also spent millions to install screens that snag thousands of pounds of wipes weekly.

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Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.
Proverbs 3:5-6

Crisis demands Congress check Trump's leadership failure

At a time America urgently needs a great president to unite the people, its president is intent on driving them apart.

Congress must fill the leadership void and prevent President Donald Trump from worsening the current unrest, trampling the Constitution and irreparably harming the nation.

During this grave crisis, when cities, states and the social contract are in turmoil, America needs leaders to uphold its core principles and rely on them for guidance.

Clearly, that leadership isn't coming from the Trump administration, so we must rely on other branches of government through 2020.

Trump's disregard of pandemic warnings, and failure to effectively respond, cost lives and set the nation on edge. Before that, he stoked racial animosity and division, setting back what progress there's been on civil rights and undermining police reforms that had shown promise in places like Seattle.

Instead of working to unify, heal and strengthen, this president sowed division, laid kindling and sprinkled gasoline. It was only a matter of time before a blaze ensued.

George Floyd was one spark, igniting a righteous national protest against his wrongful death at the hands of Minneapolis police officers and also against America's ongoing failure to end systemic racism.

Another spark came Monday, when Trump threatened to

override the will of states he feels are not dealing with the protests decisively and deploy military troops for law enforcement. As if to preview that likely illegal and fraught move, he then used troops and police to fire rubber bullets and tear gas to disperse a peaceful protest at Lafayette Park in Washington, D.C. The purpose was to make way for a cynical photo op of the president standing in front of a historic church.

Was there ever a more vivid illustration of why America must continue fighting to defend its Constitution? The people's right to peaceably assemble, and checks on the executive branch, are core values that make America great. No president gets to brush them aside.

Protests and rioting will pass. Windows will be replaced and order restored.

But what's to be done about the country's foundation, which is being sledgehammered by Trump? That's a far worse exploitation of the crisis than any looting. That causes lasting harm, weakens the country and makes all Americans more vulnerable.

Republicans and Democrats alike must condemn Trump's attacks on the Constitution and its First Amendment. They must affirm laws that restrict presidents from unilaterally deploying the military for law enforcement in states, as Trump is threatening to do.

Unbelievable as it sounds, the next line of defense may be generals, sworn to support and defend the Constitution. We must have

faith they will uphold their oath.

In addition to condemnation, Congress should introduce legislation limiting the presidents' authority to use federal troops in the District of Columbia, a suggestion made by John McKay, a former U.S. Attorney teaching Constitutional law at Seattle University.

Such legislation would rebuke Monday's appalling display. It would also affirm the nation will not tolerate rogue presidents who disregard the Constitution and laws preventing misuse of the military.

Trump's threats of military force in states reveal a deep lack of understanding and appreciation of the military, how it's trained and what it's supposed to do, said another former U.S. Attorney, Seattle Mayor Jenny Durkan.

"The people of America are not the enemies of America, they are America," Durkan said, while meeting with this editorial board Tuesday.

Indeed. We the people want to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquillity, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity.

Trump's failed leadership through successive crises, and his disregard for America's core values and its Constitution, demand Congress step up and provide leadership the United States desperately needs.

This editorial was first published in The Seattle Times.

If headlines were images, today's would be 'The Scream'

In Cormac McCarthy's apocalyptic novel, "The Road," a father and young son trudge through a burned-out America toward the coast in hopes of survival, carrying what the father calls "the fire," a metaphorical light that symbolizes hope and has been extinguished everywhere they go.

Civilization, in other words. Their tortured passage through the charred landscape of humanity's basest instincts is fueled by their mutual love and their determination to keep the flame alive.

I'm reminded of this piercing (and, pray, not prophetic) story now, as the world erupts around us, not only with the pandemic and hints of future scares but with the protests and violence that often accompany despair. If you were hoping for a pleasant day, now would be the time to stop reading.

The moment seems ripe, however, for a bit of dot-connecting as preview and prelude to Election 2020. Bereft of a better term, we seem to be at a tipping point, slipping gradually into a chaotic period that, if we're not vigilant, could be followed by a time of authoritarian zeal.

You can read the signs in President Trump's threats against looters in Minneapolis, his rumblings about shutting down the United States Postal Service rather than allow mail-in voting; his vow to crush social media that threatens his grip on the free dispersal of false information. In their forthcoming book, "Donald Trump and His Assault on Truth," Glenn Kessler and the Post's Fact Checker staff catalog the president's misleading or inaccurate statements – and "flat-out lies" – since taking office. As of Jan. 20, Kessler and his team had documented 16,241 un-truths. By April 3, the database had grown to 18,000 and counting.

Trump's sudden disaffection toward social media comes as Twitter has begun flagging tweets the company deems inappropriate. When protests erupted in Minneapolis over the death of George Floyd, apparently caused by a police officer's excessive force (his knee pressed to the prone and handcuffed man's throat while he begged for air), Trump called the looters "THUGS" and tweeted that the military was poised to move in: "When the looting starts, the shooting starts."

In response to this, dare we say, thug-ish posture, Twitter attached a warning to Trump's tweet, its second in a week, this time for violating the company's policy against "glorifying violence." Whether this admonishment is apt may be disputed, but Trump, by tossing rhetorical grenades into incendiary situations, has become the fire-crier in a very crowded theater.

The president has never been one to measure words, which is part of his appeal to those who prefer bunker-busting to diplomacy. And, though social media's policing power is an important debate to be continued, there's every possibility that some Minneapolis residents overwhelmed by lawlessness may have appreciated Trump's message more than his constant critics care to admit.

Therein lies the real threat, of course, as many on the right would see it – the acceptance by the fearful of what would amount to military occupation and permission to shoot. Whatever it takes to feel safe.

There is always tension between freedom and security. Having lived in Spain under Francisco Franco's military dictatorship, I'll admit I always felt protected from the usual predators and relished walking freely at night without fear. On the other hand, say a word about el generalissimo and the Guardia Civil would escort you to a destiny not of your choosing.

And then there is Minneapolis, aflame after yet another death of a black man while in police custody, this time for the alleged crime of forging a \$20 bill.

How safe Americans will feel in a few weeks following the reopening of parts of the economy is another matter, while the unmasked man in the White House has turned mask-wearing into a symbol for sloganeers. Online discussions reveal that MAGA aficionados see the mask as a government test to determine which people are followers (Democrats) and which are free-thinking, uppercase, Patriots (Trumpians).

How it came to pass that patriotism equates to flouting the White House's own pandemic recommendations, which are contradicted by the president himself, is a mystery. Meanwhile, the obvious irony is that if there is to be an authoritarian federal crackdown – as in destroying the postal service so that people can't vote by mail and shutting down Twitter or imposing liability restraints – it will come from the man they support.

A vibrant government of checks and balances, in which I once had faith, would quash any such ambitions. But given the GOP's loss of direction and the Democratic Party's geriatric frailty, a resurgence of lawful normalcy seems increasingly remote. Which leaves to the noble and the willing a duty to persist in sanity, ever-vigilant, and carrying "the fire" to Election Day – flickering though it may be – and to whatever beyond awaits.

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Coercive plea bargaining is a national embarrassment

Michael Flynn, who was President Trump's national security adviser for 24 days and who has been entangled in the criminal-justice system for 40 months, pleaded guilty of lying to FBI agents and now recants that plea. We shall return to Flynn below, but first consider Habeeb Audu, who is resisting extradition from Britain to the United States, where he is charged with various financial crimes.

The Cato Institute's Clark Neily was asked by Audu's lawyers to write, in accordance with British extradition practices, a Declaration – an "expert report" – about the risk that Audu would not have a meaningful right to a fair U.S. trial. Neily, a member of the American Bar Association's Plea Bargaining Task Force and head of its subcommittee on impermissibly coercive plea bargains and plea practices, concludes that extradition would "guarantee" Audu's subjection to a process that "routinely" coerces through plea bargaining. So Audu probably would experience "intolerable pressure designed to induce a waiver of his fundamental right to a fair trial."

Plea bargaining is, Neily argues "pervasive and coercive" partly because of today's "trial penalty" – the difference between the sentences offered to those who plead guilty and the much more severe sentences typically imposed after a trial. This penalty discourages exercising a constitutional right. A defendant in a computer hacking case, Neily says, committed suicide during plea bargaining in which prosecutors said he could avoid a trial conviction and sentence of up to 35 years by pleading

guilty and accepting a six-month sentence.

The pressure prosecutors can exert – piling on ("stacking") criminal charges to expose defendants to extreme sentences; pretrial detention, nearly always in squalid confines; threatening to indict family members – can cause innocent people to plead guilty in order to avoid risking protracted incarceration for themselves and loved ones. Such pressures effectively transfer sentencing power from judges to prosecutors. How exactly are these pressures morally preferable to those that used to be administered by truncheons in the back of police stations?

These are reasons why of the nearly 80,000 defendants in federal criminal cases in fiscal 2018, just 2 percent went to trial and 90 percent pleaded guilty. In 2018, 94.7 percent of criminal convictions were obtained through plea bargains in the Southern District of New York, which is seeking Audu's extradition.

Prosecutors have discovered that almost any defendant can be persuaded to plead guilty, given sufficient inducements. This discovery has been partly a response to the fact that the over-criminalization of life, and particularly Congress' indefensible multiplication of federal crimes, means that otherwise the court system would, in Justice Antonin Scalia's words, "grind to a halt."

There is, Neily says, "abundant, undisputed evidence" of innocent defendants pleading guilty. Of the 367 convicts exonerated by DNA analysis to date, 11 percent had pleaded guilty. Various studies have concluded that between 1.6 percent and 8 percent of defendants who plead guilty would not have been convicted in a trial. The lowest estimate would mean that in 2009 there were more than 1,250 innocent people incarcerated in the

federal system alone, and many multiples of that number in state systems.

Responding to Neily's Declaration, the Justice Department complacently asserts that U.S. law guarantees fair trials: Coercive plea bargains are forbidden, therefore they do not occur, so innocent people do not plead guilty. Move along, nothing to see here.

The DOJ should consult Jed S. Rakoff. In a 2014 essay, "Why Innocent People Plead Guilty," he wrote that since the last third of the previous century, a fair trial – an adversarial process, conducted in public before a neutral judge and a jury of the defendant's peers – has become "all a mirage." Rakoff is a senior judge on the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York.

Now, about Flynn. Perhaps he lied in an interview with FBI agents. We must, however, take their word for this, because, in accordance with an archaic and self-serving practice, the agents did not record the interview. They wrote their unverifiable version. This, although all FBI agents carry recording capabilities in their smartphones. After prosecutors threatened to indict his son, who was his business partner (remember the axiom: "A prosecutor can get a grand jury to indict a ham sandwich"), a coerced and impoverished Flynn, facing many millions in legal bills, and later selling his suburban Washington house, pleaded guilty.

Perhaps Flynn now regrets leading "Lock her up!" chants at the Republican National Convention. All Americans should regret the need for Neily's many proposed reforms, including a DOJ Office of Plea Integrity to scrutinize coercive plea bargaining, a national embarrassment.

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Sorrow consumes couple's lives after son's suicide

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I lost our son to suicide a few years ago. We have never gotten over it. I have recovered somewhat and would like to resume having intimate relations, but she's not that far along.

Dear Abby



I no longer feel there's any reason to continue on this earth. There is no point to my being here. I think about suicide daily. I have been told that if I were going to do this and hurt my family as my son did, I would've already done it.

My wife and I have been cast into a hell that's impossible to bear. There is no way to describe the pain, anger and sorrow we feel. I want to die because I feel the world would be a better place without my sorrowful self taking up resources. I have sought help ever since we lost my son, and have been taking all kinds of medication that I no longer want to take. Is there a way out other than my option? — Beyond Depressed

DEAR BEYOND DEPRESSED: Please accept my deepest sympathy for the tragic loss of your son. I cannot imagine the hell you and your wife are going through.

Because you can't get the thought of suicide out of your mind, it is very important that you receive more help than I can give you in a letter. Your doctor should be put on notice about your issue with your medications.

Also, a group that might be helpful for you and your wife is the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. If you contact them, they can refer you to a local support group for people who are surviving a loved one's suicide. The website is afsp.org. If, however, you feel you have reached a point where harming yourself is imminent, I urge you to call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 800-273-8255. Please don't give up.

DEAR ABBY: I have two children. One is 6, and the other is an infant. My 6-year-old is kind but mischievous at times. I am a firm believer that children need loving parents, but also parents who discipline when it's needed.

My mother recently came to live with me and my husband. She helps out a lot, but she is causing some confusion in our home. She doesn't discipline my 6-year-old when needed. In fact, she often acts like a child herself when she should be acting like an adult. This issue causes my 6-year-old to sometimes be disrespectful. When my husband and I hear the smart-mouth talk, we address it, but there's only so much we can do when my mother won't take an adult role. I have had several conversations with her about it, but nothing changes. I don't want her to leave, but I'm afraid her attitude toward parenting and discipline will cause some real problems in my home. Please help. — Disciplined In Virginia

DEAR DISCIPLINED: Continue the conversation with your mother. Explain that although she may think you are too strict with your older child, you are that child's mother, and this is the way you want the child raised. Then tell her that if enforcing the rules is too much for her, she may have to find other living arrangements. Talk to your child, as well. Make sure he/she understands that the rules come from his/her parents and no one else.

I am troubled by your statement that your mother sometimes acts like a child. I wish you had mentioned why she's living with you. If you suspect there's a possibility she might be experiencing the onset of dementia, INSIST that she be evaluated by a physician and a neurologist to ensure that she's well.

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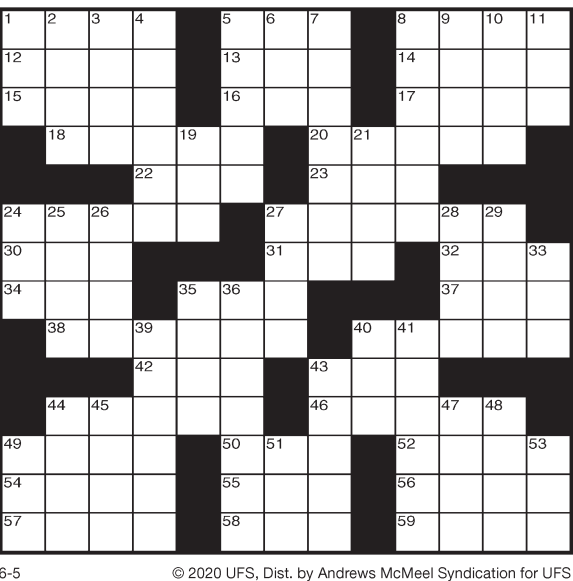
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3				2			9	4
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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION								
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8	3	6	5	9	1	7	2	4
4	9	1	7	8	2	5	3	6
3	1	4	8	2	6	9	7	5
9	6	7	3	1	5	2	4	8
5	2	8	4	7	9	3	6	1
7	5	2	9	6	8	4	1	3
6	4	3	1	5	7	8	9	2
1	8	9	2	4	3	6	5	7

JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

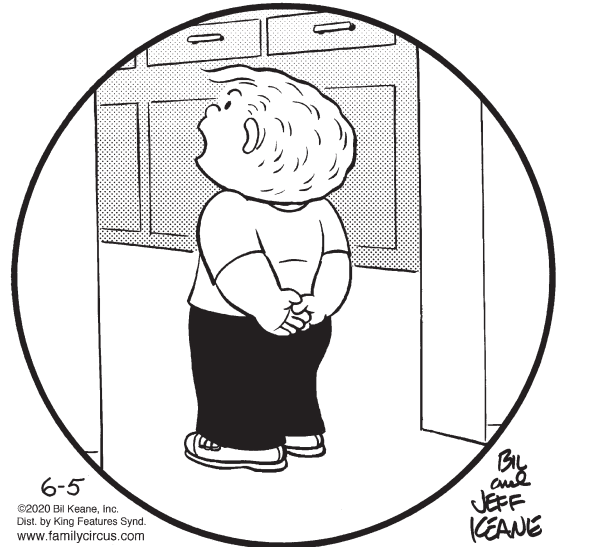


Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer here: Jumbles: LLAMA FRAUD GOALIE TANGLE
Yesterday's Answer: The gym installed some mediocre jogging machines that were — RUN OF THE MILL

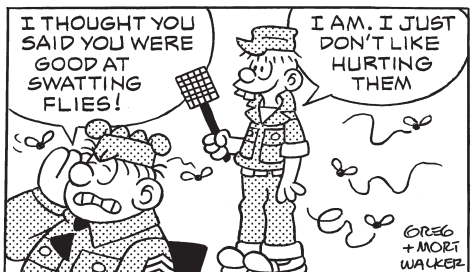
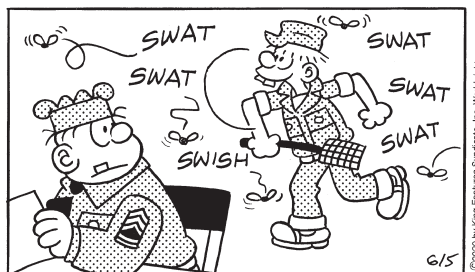
THE FAMILY CIRCUS

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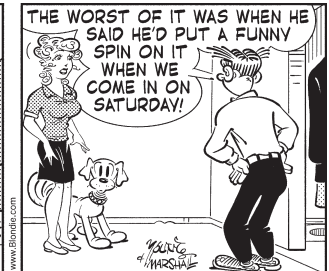


"I hope you can read my mind, Mommy, 'cause I was thinking 'bout pancakes."

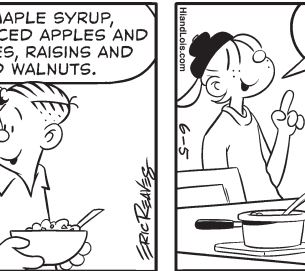
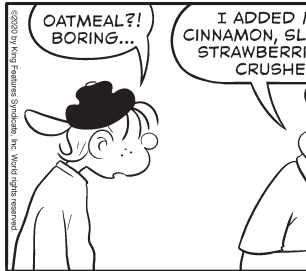
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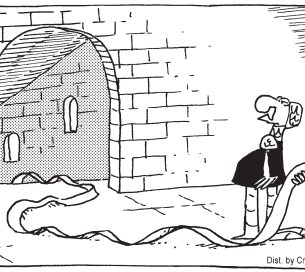
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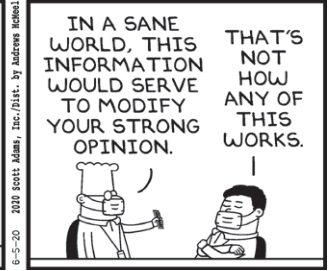
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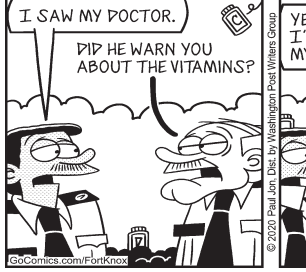
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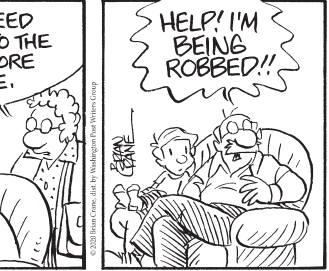
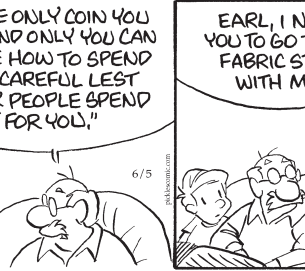
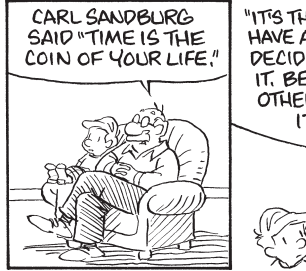
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PICKLES



Loneliness in the time of coronavirus

Q: I've never experienced loneliness like I have during the recent coronavirus pandemic. Being isolated inside my home has caused me great anxiety. While I appreciate the motive of keeping me from coming into contact with this horrible curse, I think the loneliness has been worse. I've realized that the television has not provided hope. The constant runners along the bottom of the screen only heightened my fears. Where does hope come from in times like these? — L.S.

A: The Bible says, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God'" (Matthew 4:4). Jesus told of a man who had been lonely and sick. For 38 years he sat in the same

spot, weary and tired, without a friend. This bundle of loneliness and human pain had been buffeted by the surging tides of thousands of people, but Jesus singled him out. He became the man's friend (John 5:1-9). Jesus will become our friend if we will let Him. The great hymns of the church bring great comfort because their lyrics are founded on the Word of God. "In times like these, you need a Savior / In times like these you need an anchor; Be very sure, be very sure /

Your anchor holds and grips the solid rock! This Rock is Jesus, Yes He's the One; This Rock is Jesus, The only One! Be very sure, be very sure / Your anchor holds and grips the solid rock! Nothing else we cling to in this world will save our souls, only Jesus Christ. We must make Him Lord and Master of our lives and His Word will quicken our spirits and strengthen our faith in Him. Now is the day of salvation (2 Corinthians 6:2).

CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

"R'ZK EKZKH XKKE T ADDE RE
NPK XVS NPTN, RW RN GRGE'N
NTVK AS UHKTNP TBTS, TN CKTXN
ARXMCTOKG RN WDH T ADAKEN."
— ODCRE WTHHKCC

Previous Solution: "A creative man is motivated by the desire to achieve, not by the desire to beat others." — Ayn Rand
TODAY'S CLUE: M sphen g

From page A1

Wabash County has been

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The Honeywell Center Summer Plaza Music Series continues Wednesday, June 17 at the 13-24 Drive In, 890 N. Indiana 13. Soul Shot features Bobby Velasquez and John Kirkwood and many other seasoned musicians including

The Honeywell Center Summer Plaza Music Series continues Wednesday, July 1 at the 13-24 Drive In, 890 N. Indiana 13. The Mississinewa Valley Swing Band is a community band, located in Grant County. The Swing Band is a 16-member ensemble that plays swing-era music at different area events. The event is free and open to the public, on a first-come, first-serve ba-

After being rescheduled for a second time, the Wabash Kiwanis Club will once again host its annual Pancake Day for Saturday, July 25. After a year at the Wabash Presbyterian Church, Pancake Day will return to the newly renovated Bruce Ingraham building at the Wabash County Fairgrounds, located just off of Gillen Avenue in Wabash. Pancakes, with or without blueberries, will be available, along with sausages and refreshments. Tickets will be \$8

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